

“Open Space” Funds Playground; Dam and Police Move Forward

by Kathleen Gallagher

The Greenbelt City Council had a very full agenda at its meeting on August 14. The decision not to introduce a charter amendment to lower the voting age in city elections but rather to introduce for first reading a resolution to place the matter on the ballot of the November 7 election as an advisory question for the voters, was reported in last week’s paper. That left almost a dozen other items for consideration, in addition to several that were approved on the consent agenda.

Playground Renovation

Whether to use Program Open Space (POS) funds for purposes other than purchase of open space is a perennial discussion for council, with Councilmember Rodney Roberts objecting to using POS funds for recreational and other facility purposes. The city’s Fiscal Year 2018 budget included \$169,300 to renovate the playground at the Commu-

nity Center, which in part serves young children at the Greenbelt Nursery School and is seriously in need of work.

The city applied for a grant from the state Community Parks and Playgrounds (CPP) program to cover 75 percent of the costs, but the application was turned down, with an indication that there had been an “overwhelming response” this year, which “far exceeded available funds.” Grant funding had been cut by 50 percent this year. City staff recommended using POS money for this playground this year.

Council voted 6 to 1 to use POS funds, with Roberts voting against. Councilmember Edward Putens commented that he would like to see council place a limit on how much POS funding can be spent on facilities rather than purchase of open space.

Getting right back on the horse, staff recommended that an application be submitted for

CPP funding to renovate the playground at 8 Court Southway, which would serve children ages 2 to 5. An engineered wood fiber surface was recommended since this playground has a high level of sun exposure. Council approved submitting the proposal. If funded, the playground would likely be renovated in fall 2018 or spring 2019.

Dam

The status of the work on the dam at Buddy Attick Park and the availability of a low-interest loan from the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE), which could facilitate the city’s work on this project, were discussed in some detail at an August 7 worksession on capital projects. The city is now under a consent decree to accomplish the repairs. Initially the project was divided into four phases. Phase 1, repairs to the lake drain, is nearly

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City Budget Projects Include Dam, Dog Parks, Bus Shelter

by Diane Oberg

The Greenbelt City Councilmembers got some good news and bad news about the repairs needed to the dam at Buddy Attick Park at the August 7 worksession on capital projects. Other projects discussed included a second, and possibly third, dog park; bus shelters and benches; and signs at the various entrances to Greenbelt. Council adopted the Capital Projects funding as part of the budget approved in June but reviews the projects and priorities within the capital funds afterwards.

Assistant City Manager David Moran said that city staff recommends keeping a higher fund balance than usual, given the anticipated costs of the dam repair project and other expenses expected to occur after the current fiscal year.

Dam

The bad news on the dam is that the Phase I work revealed more significant problems than anticipated, along with increasing costs of materials and that the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) had turned down the city’s request for an extension of the deadline for completing all necessary repairs.

The good news is that the MDE had informed the city of the availability of a low interest loan through the Water Quality State Revolving Loan Fund. Moran reported that the interest rate is expected to be about half

of what the city would likely need to pay to finance the project through a bond sale. In addition, the state loan is more flexible than bond financing would be. He likened the loan to a line of credit, where once the borrowers are approved for a certain amount, they can draw the funds as needed and will only pay interest on the money actually used.

If the city is approved for the loan, as anticipated, there is one other benefit. The existing plan for dam repairs divided the project into various phases largely based upon keeping each segment affordable. Now, Community Planner Jessica Bellah said, the city can plan the work based on what is most cost-effective. Any changes to the plan must be approved by MDE per the consent agreement.

Council will need to approve entering into this loan at a regular council meeting. If they approve it, the borrowing will then be placed as a referendum question on the November 7 ballot.

The Phase I work also settled one question – was work done by the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) the cause of damage to a collapsed pipe? Bellah said that the damage resulted from changes introduced when the Capital Beltway was constructed. The WSSC pipe is in good condition, she said.

In a second project for Buddy Attick Park, \$300,000 is allocated to rebuild the parking lot. The cost will be partially offset by a \$187,000 grant from the Chesapeake Bay Trust. The renovated lot will have a pervious surface and more spaces and will improve access to the park. Bellah said the work would not interfere with the dam repairs.

Three Dog Parks?

Council had previously identified a possible location for a second dog park, this one in the city’s core. However, residents near that site petitioned council to reject it and questioned the city’s selection criteria. Bellah said that the city likely needs to look at those criteria anew. In addition, she said, Greenbelt Station has requested a dog park

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What Goes On

Monday, August 28

8 p.m., Council Worksession with Doctors Hospital, Municipal Building

Wednesday, August 30

8 p.m., Council Worksession, City Manager’s Update, Springhill Lake Recreation Center



PHOTO BY SHARON NATOLI

Nick Serra, Joe Natoli and Lizzie Serra watch the solar eclipse from Lakeside Drive on Monday, August 21.

Solar Eclipse

Greenbelters Venture Out With Creative Contraptions

by Janice Wolf

A forecast of cloudy skies and the threat of copious amounts of rain between 2 and 3 p.m. did not deter people from seeking out a place to watch Monday’s partial solar eclipse in and around Greenbelt. Despite that forecast seemingly getting worse all morning, they ventured out anyway – to Goddard Space Flight Center, to Roosevelt Center, to Greenbelt Lake, to ballfields and even just outside to parking lots, front lawns and sidewalks – to watch a spectacle of nature not seen to this extent across the country since 1918.

While many brought and shared the requisite ISO 12312-2 viewing glasses, others used all manner of homemade and scientist-sanctioned eclipse-watching contraptions. Still others grabbed colanders or other bits and bobs likely found in kitchen junk drawers – called found-object projectors. And many just let

nature provide the image makers. The clouds built up and moved by, providing artistic appeal but no rain, and by most accounts folks who watched the eclipse at the moment of maximum obscuration in our area, which fell between 80.5 and 80.64 percent, were not disappointed.

Many from Greenbelt and the surrounding communities sought the space angle – literally and figuratively – on the grounds of Goddard Space Flight Center, where they encamped behind the Visitor Center with kids, friends, relatives, chairs, blankets and umbrellas (just in case). A few of the more serious sky observers and photographers set up more elaborate equipment as well.

The Visitor Center provided, and then ran out of, and then found more of, the eclipse glasses as well, so just about everyone was covered.

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PHOTO BY ROBIN BUCK

A homemade telescope set up by Jennifer Page at MakerSpace shows the crescent of the sun.

Letters to the Editor

Add Signs, Too

Regarding the article on the new trail in the August 10 paper, and the letter from Dos Reis about the need for benches along the trail in the August 17 issue, I'd like to add a thought. Being an avid user of trails, I was curious about the new one. So I started on foot at the Cherrywood Lane entrance to the trail and, almost immediately, was lost! A fork in the trail: which way to go? I went to the right, and soon came to another fork. I found my way eventually, enjoying watching egrets in the wetlands, but I sure would have appreciated signs, or simply bike trail pavement markings (as well as benches).

Jack Wittmann

Only Fair

As you may have read in last week's Greenbelt News Review, I will not be seeking re-election to the council in November. I know that friends have asked why the need to let folks know now, but I felt it was only fair to those who have been considering running for office.

As many of you know I began my pursuit to secure a master's degree in urban planning at the University of Maryland earlier this year. After securing a master's degree, I plan on designing, creating and building new Greenbelts. It may be a "pie in the sky" dream, but I intend to give it my best shot.

To do this requires more time dedicated towards these studies. Believe me, balancing just one class, along with council and community offerings, is a challenge. While I will take one class this fall, next year I will be able to provide more time to school so I can graduate before I'm 70.

The loss of my sister Erica last November made more clear to me that I had to develop a different set of priorities. Rather than having 20 priorities, I have reduced them to four. First, my health. Pursuant to that I've been working out on a regular basis at our Fitness Center. Second, my graduate program. There are two other priorities regarding our community.

The first is a community outreach idea that I've had for over 30 years whose objective is to connect with the residents throughout town, particularly folks in apartments. The second is to put together an effective approach to revitalize our Roosevelt Center.

I want everyone to know that it's been an honor to serve the folks I love, Greenbelters, as

it's allowed me to be an advocate of connecting our community, through the arts, improved intracity transportation which would include securing funding for underpasses and overpasses, affordable housing and intelligent economic development and marketing, essential to our community's future.

Briefly, I wish to pay tribute to my council colleagues, each of whom is a caring individual who has worked hard to preserve and enhance our sense of community. While all achievements and challenges ultimately are the result of teamwork, I thank Ed Putens' advocacy to bring the city, its offerings and meetings to all sections of town. I give thanks to Leta Mach for her strong advocacy for our kids, insisting that our school system keep its promise that Greenbelt students attend Eleanor Roosevelt High School. I thank Silke Pope for her sustained effort to secure a second dog park and Rodney Roberts for his steadfast perseverance to preserve our woods and provide services less expensively when possible. I thank Judith Davis for introducing our city to what a sustainable community is and her sustained work to enhance our environment. I thank Emmett Jordan for providing a thoughtful vision of what Greenbelt's future can be through his efforts to seriously consider improved marketing and smart economic development.

I conclude by saying that I love every one of my colleagues and staff, current and past, for their support over my time as a councilmember, and in the other roles I have played with our community.

One final thing: While I will not be endorsing any candidate for council, I will be endorsing ideas that connect our residents, organizations, schools, businesses, a future council and those that labor to enhance our quality of life. This is a community built on collaboration, and on connection. We live in a time, more than ever, when our city and all cities – heck the country - need to connect and come together. Greenbelt, at its best, is that wonderful example for the entire country.

Konrad Herling

Warning!

The electric bill switchers are at it again.

They call and without telling whom they work for, citing the state of Maryland, they want to save you 30 percent on your bill. And they are very persistent. If

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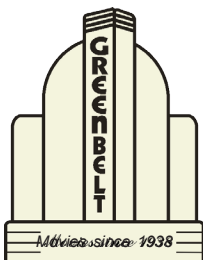
Corrections

The headline and caption of the August 17, 2017 issue misidentified the location of construction at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. The field adjacent to the track is under construction.

A photo caption for the feature, Area Rainy Conditions Yield Bumper Crop of Mushrooms, in the August 17, 2017, issue should have identified the large orangish mushrooms in the top row as Chicken of the Woods, not Hen of the Woods. Hen of the Woods will appear in the Fall. The News Review regrets the error and reminds readers to join a mycological society to learn about mushroom identification and safety. The nearest to Greenbelt is the D.C. Mycological Society.

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Mon. 10:30 AM

School's Out Series: FREE!
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"And one final announcement - MakerSpace is building a robot mayor so I can take off for Labor Day, too."

CARTOON BY PETE REPPERT

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On Screen

Menashe, C'est Moi?

Coming to Old Greenbelt Theatre this Friday, August 25 is Menashe, a tender, unusual, melancholy comedy that explores a few secrets of Brooklyn's Jewish Orthodox Hasidic community.

Newcomer and unprofessional actor Menashe Lustig plays Menashe, a maladroitness grocery store clerk and recent widower who cannot claim custody of his son Reuben unless he remarries. "A man should not be alone," his rabbi declares.

The good-hearted Menashe is part schlemiel (inept) and part schlemazel (unlucky), but somehow is a deeply kindred spirit to all of us.

Filmed in Yiddish, Menashe is 1 hour, 21 minutes long, is rated PG and is directed by co-writer Joshua Z. Weinstein.

- Jim Link

Community Events

Free Produce Aug 24 At Green Ridge House

The GAIL Program will offer free produce for Greenbelt residents at Green Ridge House from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 24. Bring sturdy bags, wheelie carts or luggage to haul produce items away. Items distributed may be heavy and may include sweet potatoes, white potatoes, onions, etc. On the day of the distribution you must enter on the right side entrance of the building. Please do not park in the lot. Volunteers will be onsite to load vehicles. Registration is not required.

Toastmasters Meet

The Greenbelt Toastmasters Club will meet on Wednesday, August 30 at 7:30 p.m. in the Social Hall of Greenbelt Community Church at Hillside and Crescent Roads. The group offers professionals, students, stay-at-home parents and retirees a supportive environment to improve skills in communication and leadership. For more information call 240-542-8625.

Meet and Greet New GMS Acting Principal

A meet and greet is scheduled for Thursday, August 31 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Greenbelt Middle School Multipurpose Room with new acting principal Daria Valentine. Valentine plans to speak about herself, her background, an update on summer work and ask for feedback on what can be improved. The 16-year veteran of Prince George’s County Public Schools has been an assistant principal, a middle school math and science teacher, science instructional coach and science instructional specialist. She is a product of Prince George’s County Public Schools.

At the Library

Ready 2 Read Storytimes. Monday, August 28: ages 3 to 5, 7 p.m., limit 20 people. Tuesday, August 29: ages 3 to 5, 7 p.m., limit 20 people. Wednesday, August 30: ages 3 to 5, 10:15 a.m., limit 20 people; ages 2-3, 11:15 a.m., limit 20 people. Thursday, August 31: ages 0 to 2, 10:15 and 11:15 a.m., limit 15 babies with parent(s)/caregiver(s); ages 2-3, 4:15 p.m., limit 20 people. Encourage children to make reading a positive experience by bringing them to the library’s storytimes. Each program contains a mixture of engaging activities and age-appropriate stories that support early literacy. Stop by the Information Desk immediately prior to each session to pick up free tickets available on a first-come, first-served basis. STEM for Families: Furbearers in Maryland. Monday, August 28, 4:30 p.m., ages 5 to 12. Explore the world of furbearing animals and learn about the ones that call Maryland “Home.”

Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition Food and Friendship program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208 ext. 4215. All meals include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for the week of August 28 are as follows: Monday, August 28: Baked chicken breast with tomato sauce, whole grain penne pasta, mixed vegetables, wheat bread, mandarin oranges, apple juice. Tuesday, August 29: Beef paprikash, broccoli, hot spiced apples, Texas bread, grape juice. Wednesday, August 30: Sliced turkey with gravy, black-eyed peas, spinach, cornbread muffin, fresh fruit, cranberry juice. Thursday, August 31: 10-grain Pollock, macaroni and cheese, okra, corn and stewed tomatoes, wheat roll, diced pears, orange juice.

Enjoy Outdoor Fun At Greenbelt Park

Friday, August 25 is the 101st anniversary of the 1916 Organic Act that created the National Park Service. President Woodrow Wilson signed the act “to conserve the scenery and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same...as will leave them unimpaired for... future generations.” On Saturday, August 26, join a park ranger for a one-mile nature and fitness walk. This beginner-friendly hike will show how to get fit in the park while discovering nature on the Azalea Trail. On Sunday, August 27, the Greenbelt Walking Club will host a 1.4-mile walk around the park loop road. Meet at Sweetgum Picnic Area at 9:30 a.m. to get healthy and enjoy the outdoors. On Thursday, August 31, the puppet play Talkin’ Trash with Sasha the Spider will help children ages 5 to 12 learn about the animals that live in Greenbelt Park. Meet at the Ranger Station Classroom at 4:30 p.m.



More Community Events
are located throughout the paper.

Labor Day Tennis Social and Picnic

On Saturday, September 2 from 9 a.m. to noon, the Greenbelt Tennis Association (GTA) will sponsor a tennis social at the Greenbriar Condominium tennis courts, 7600 Hanover Parkway. GTA will provide drinks, snacks and a cookout with hamburgers and hot dogs. Bring a potluck dish to share. This event is free for GTA members. To RSVP or for more information, send an email to rsvp_gta@outlook.com, call 301-715-3632 or visit greenbelt.com/tennis.

Star Party Saturday

Saturn should be on view at the Astronomical Society of Greenbelt’s star party on Saturday, August 26 beginning around 9 p.m. Participants might also see some deep sky objects, such as star clusters and a planetary nebula, viewed through our astronomical camera. Visitors are welcome to set up their own telescopes on the hill. Star parties are held at the city Observatory located at Northway Fields. Drivers should park in the ballfield lot and not up on the hill unless bringing a telescope. The star party will be canceled without notice if it is hopelessly cloudy.

Select Soccer Team Meeting August 26

Starting at the U11/12 level, Greenbelt Soccer Alliance sponsors tryout-based, select teams that play in higher leagues than in the recreational program. These leagues include select recreational leagues and full travel leagues. The Alliance currently offers select soccer teams at the U13 boys, HS boys and U17 girls level. On Saturday, August 26 at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Center Room 202, the Alliance will introduce its select soccer program and discuss how to start such a team and what it entails. This meeting follows immediately after the pre-season parent/coach meeting for the fall recreational program, which starts at 5:30 p.m. Those interested in learning more about making a higher level of soccer available locally should attend the meeting this coming Saturday. Send questions to dnwhiteman@greenbeltsoccer.org.

Donate Supplies For SHL Elementary

The Greenbelt Rotary Club will collect school supplies for Springhill Lake Elementary School students at the Greenbelt Farmers Market on Sunday, August 27. Bring supplies to drop off, including black and white composition notebooks, boxes of plain yellow wooden #2 pencils, glue sticks, 3-ring notebook paper (wide ruled) and pocket folders. Cash donations for the purchase of supplies will also be gratefully accepted. For more information, contact anne.m.wallace54@gmail.com or greenbeltrotary.org/.

GHI Notes

Thursday, August 24, 7 p.m., Executive Session of the Board, Board Room. Friday, August 25, office closed. For emergency maintenance service, call 301-474-6011. Monday, August 28, 7 p.m., Communications Committee Meeting, GHI Lobby. Thursday, August 31, 6:45 p.m., Investment Committee Meeting, Board Room. Thursday, August 31, 7:30 p.m., Finance Committee Meeting, Board Room.

Golden Age Club

by Bunny Fitzgerald The Golden Age Club is looking forward to the Labor Day Festival in Greenbelt. Get your pots and baking pans ready for the bake sale on Saturday, September 2 at the Co-op ramp. On August 30 bring a favorite cup and sip tea and enjoy a social hour, exchange books and magazines and have some goodies. Our condolences to the family and friends of Phyllis Budin. She was a long-time active member of the club. She served on the Travel Committee and the Membership Committee. She will be missed by all of us.

FPAB to Meet August 31

The Forest Preserve Advisory Board (FPAB) will meet on Thursday, August 31 at 7 p.m. in the Municipal Building. The primary topic on the agenda will be the Forest Preserve Health Assessment, conducted by A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc., including goals and recommendations, invasive species, trails and more, time permitting. There will also be discussion of the mission and vision statement for FPAB, as well as Forest Preserve/BARC fence repairs and a FPAB field trip to the American Chestnut Foundation in Calvert County.

GAIL Offers Free Movie Tickets

The Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL) Program, in partnership with Capital Caring Hospice, is offering Greenbelt residents free movie tickets for the Tuesday, September 12 PBS/Frontline documentary screening and panel discussion of Being Mortal, based on the New York Times bestseller by Atul Gawande. The screening will be at Old Greenbelt Theatre. The film explores the hopes of patients and families facing terminal illness and their relationships with the doctors, nurses and family members who care for them. Contact Sharon Johnson at 301-345-6660 x2029. Doors open at 12:30 p.m. Screening and panel discussion is from 1 to 3:30 p.m.

Arts Advisory Board To Meet in October


Greenbelt Arts Advisory Board will NOT be meeting on Tuesday, September 5. The Board’s next tentative meeting date is Tuesday, October 3, at 7 p.m. at the Community Center.



Greenbelt Arts Center

OPENING THIS WEEK

ARDEN NOW



Friday August 25th - 8pm
Saturday August 26th - 8pm
Sunday August 27th - 2pm
Friday September 1st - 8pm
Saturday September 2nd - 8pm

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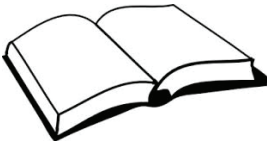
a collaborative adaptation of As You Like It by William Shakespeare
Directed by Melissa Schick
A guest production from The Rude Mechanicals
August 25, 26, September 1, 2 at 8PM
August 27 at 2PM

Ticket prices: \$22 General Admission, \$20 Students/Seniors/Military,
\$12 Youth (12 and under with adult)
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COMING SOON

Midnight Cigarette – Sept 8 - 24 – Production from Wolf Pack Theater

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Greenbelters Unite in Peace At Church Candlelight Vigil

by Cameron Weekes

In a show of solidarity against the violence at the Charlottesville protest, members of the Greenbelt Community Church held a candlelight vigil on Wednesday, August 16 from 7 to 9 p.m. The vigil was organized by Rev. Glenlyce Grindstaff after numerous citizens in the community requested that one be held.

The vigil served as a time for prayer, peace and to unite against hate within the country. The evening of prayer, which lasted two hours, had a peak attendance of more than 110 people. In addition to lighting candles, attendees placed flowers in the memorial garden for those who died in the protest.

Many attendees were members of the church. One such member, Earl Taylor, gave his opinion on the violence observed at the protest. “It’s clear that there are people who are hurting in ways that they can only express through hate and violence,” he said. “And the reasons for their pain are varied, but they aren’t clear about it. So they have to find somebody to take it out on because they can’t hold it all inside. They need prayers as much as anybody else.” In addition to prayer, Taylor believes that those who are hurting need courage to face their pain through nonviolent means.

When asked for her opinion on the violence in Charlottesville, Grindstaff said she believes it is a tipping point, due to the massive outcry that has followed. In her eyes, the outcry following Charlottesville is greater than that which followed incidents of hatred, violence and protest in



Members of the Greenbelt Community Church gather for a candlelight vigil.

- Photos by Michael Grindstaff



Baltimore, Ferguson and other cities. Liking Charlottesville to Vietnam, she feels that the live broadcast of the violence is what has pushed people to the edge. If Grindstaff is right about Charlottesville being the tipping point, she hopes that people will unite behind peace to combat the rampant hatred in the country.



Labor Day Festival Show Seeks Photos

Have you taken any awesome photos that you would like to share with your neighbors? The Labor Day Festival Photo Show is coming soon. Both adults and children (12 and under) are invited to enter up to two photographs each.

Frame dimensions greater than 16 inches by 20 inches will not be accepted and smaller frames are preferred, as space is limited.

Bring ready-to-hang photos and completed registration forms to the Community Center, Room 114 between 5 and 7 p.m. on Thursday, August 31 or Friday, September 1. Judging is done on Friday night and winning ribbons will be on display starting Saturday at 1 p.m.

There is no charge to enter. For more information, contact Keith Zevallos at 240-355-2908, email laborday_photoshow@yahoo.com, or go online to greenbeltlaborday.com.

Help Green the 2017 Labor Day Festival

Volunteers are needed to encourage recycling and composting during the Labor Day Festival.

GreenACES and the Green Team are seeking volunteers to stand near sets of recycling, compost and trash bins to cheerfully encourage and help people recycle the recyclables, compost the compostables and trash the trash. Volunteers can choose which days and times they will assist. All are welcome.

Training will be provided at the Public Works building on Wednesday, August 30 at 7:30 p.m. Service hour forms will be signed and recommendations provided for students as appropriate. Adults are also needed to help or provide light supervision.

To sign up to volunteer at the festival or to see the hours available, visit signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4caba929a2fd0-greening1

For more information, contact Luisa Robles, Greenbelt sustainability coordinator: lrobles@greenbeltmd.gov, 240-542-2153; or Tom Taylor, Green Team volunteer: tomtaylor0401@gmail.com, 301-513-9524.



Condolences to Richard Szczepanowski of Ridge Road, whose mother Rita Szczepanowski died on August 14 at the age of 81. She lived in Newark, Del.

We were saddened to hear of the death of Phyllis Budin, a long-time member of the Golden Age Club.

Welcome to Daria Valentine in her new role as the acting principal for the Greenbelt Middle School.



PHOTO COURTESY OF PGCPs

Dr. Daria Valentine is the new acting principal at Greenbelt Middle School

Please share your accomplishments, milestones and news in the Our Neighbors column. Send details of your news items to editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com.

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Rev. Fay Lundin, Pastor



Worship Service 10 a.m.

To do nothing is a decision.

Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church

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Welcomes you to our open, nurturing community



August 27 10 a.m.

"Entering into Community"

Rev. Rachel Christensen and the Worship Associate Team; with Carla Miller, DMRE

What are the promises we make to each other as we form and re-form and strengthen the community that is Paint Branch? What does it mean to make these promises?

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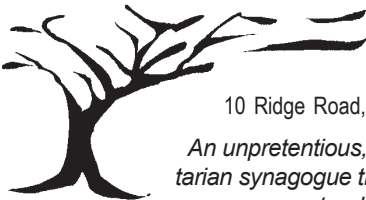
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Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.

Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:30-4:30 p.m.

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ALL ARE WELCOME.

Upcoming Events At the New Deal

Sunday, August 27, 10:30 a.m. to noon, Deaf Brunch. Deaf and hearing people socialize together using sign language. Interested in learning sign language? Newcomers welcome. 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Jazz Brunch with the Not2Cool Jazz Trio. 3 to 5 p.m., Artist Reception for Sara Sanchez and Kate Fitzpatrick. 6 to 7:30 p.m., The Bachelor and the Bad Actress. Indie with a twist. 7:30 to 9 p.m., MetroSongs. Multi-instrumentalist and producer Jason Mendelson created MetroSongs in 2010, writing and recording a unique song for each of Metro’s 91 stations, based on local history and character. Mendelson is joined by Faith Hayden, a D.C.-based singer/songwriter.

Monday, August 28, 6:30 to 9 p.m., New Deal Café regular board meeting. Members and visitors welcome.


Tuesday, August 29, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., Seth Kibel and Tom Teasley. Kibel is an award-winning woodwind specialist who has made a name for himself throughout the Mid-Atlantic in the genres of jazz, swing, klezmer and more. Teasley is a globe-trotting percussionist whose innovative percussion approaches are heralded worldwide. Together, they blend sounds both old and new, traditional and innovative, to create a sound like no other. Jewish klezmer, Arabic rhythms and American jazz are all a part of this improvisatory blend.

Wednesday, August 30, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., Ebb & Nova. This four-piece Indie band defies the limits of their own genre and delivers an energy-soaked performance of original material and timeless cover songs. Cello and guitar melodies drift through the air, surrounded by a haunting and blissful voice and backed by an eclectic percussive rhythm to craft a sound described as captivating, innovative and transcendent.

Thursday, August 31, noon to 2 p.m., Mid-Day Melodies with Amy C Kraft. 7:30 to 10 p.m., Open Mic with Tom Gleason.

Friday, September 1, 6:30 to 8 p.m., Jazz and blues piano by Takoma Park’s own John Guernsey. 8:30 to 11:30 p.m., Djesben. A trio of multi-instrumentalists whose diverse backgrounds guarantee to delight with a variety of styles: jazz standards, bebop and bossa nova, as well as original tunes influenced by music from around the globe.

Saturday, September 2, 5 to 6 p.m., Bruce Kritt, classical guitar. 6:30 to 8 p.m., jazz and blues piano by Guernsey. 8:30 to 11:30 p.m., The Big Boy Little Band.



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City Information

MEETINGS FOR WEEK OF AUGUST 21-25

Monday, August 28 at 6:30pm, **COMMUNITY ANIMAL RESPONSE TEAM** at Police Station, 550 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: GCART T-shirts – 2017 Model, GCART Business Cards, GCART ID’s, Donations to GCART - Update, Fundraising ideas, Labor Day Information Day and Booth, Action Item-Training-Continue working on FEMA on-line animal training modules.*

Monday, August 28 at 8:00pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION w/Doctors Community Hospital** at the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and streaming at www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv

Monday, August 28 at 7:30pm, **GREENBELT CERT** at Police Station, 550 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Crowd Control Training provided by Greenbelt Police Department, City Liaison Update, Treasurer Report, Volunteer Manager Report, Coordinator’s Report - CERTCON 9/23-9/24 - BASIC CERT 9/9-9/10 - Labor Day-Information Day, Parade, Booth.*

Tuesday, August 29 at 7:30pm, **ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Planning for Labor Day Festival*

Tuesday, August 29 at 7:30pm, **GREEN ACES/GREEN TEAM** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Updates from Sustainability Framework / Green Team Circles, Training for Labor Day Festival volunteers to help Zero Waste the event on Wednesday, August 30.*

Wednesday, August 30 at 8:00pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION re: City Manager’s Update** at Springhill Lake Recreation Center, 6101 Cherrywood Lane.

Thursday, August 31 at 7:00pm, **FOREST PRESERVE ADVISORY BOARD** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Review of City Council Meeting on AMT Forest Health Assessment, Review of City Council Meeting on Sustainable Land Care Policy, Discussion of Forest Preserve/BARC fence repairs, Discussion on FPAB Field trip to American Chestnut Foundation in Calvert County, Discussion on AMT Forest Preserve Health Assessment – Goals and Recommendations - Section 1 (Introduction), Section 5 (Invasive Species), Trails, and more, time permitting, Discussion of Mission & Vision Statement for FPAB*

This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.

CITY ELECTION INFORMATION

NOMINATIONS FOR 2017 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL ELECTION

In accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter, a regular election will be held in the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, on Tuesday, November 7, 2017, to elect the seven members of the City Council.

Any qualified voter of the City may be nominated for the office of Member of Council upon filing a nomination petition with the City Clerk (signed by not fewer than 50 Greenbelt resident voters), a written acceptance of the nomination, and other statements that are required by the City Charter or by law. Required forms and information are available in the City Clerk’s Office, 25 Crescent Road, from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

NOMINATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL 5:00 PM ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2017.

For additional information, call Bonita Anderson, City Clerk, at 301-474-8000, or e-mail banderson@greenbeltmd.gov.

Greenbelt Recreation Department
www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation 301-397-2200

Fall Recreation Programs Starting Soon!

Check out our Fall 2017 Activity Guide for more details!
Registration now underway!

Explore our Activity Guide for lots of options for all ages and interests. We offer seasonal special events and varied recreation facilities and classes to provide opportunities for community celebrations, a chance to learn something new or improve your skills in an activity you enjoy, all while socializing and staying active!

Please visit www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation, stop by a recreation center, or give us a call for more information.

DONATION DROP-OFF

Green Drop Charitable Donations
<https://www.gogreendrop.com/acceptable-items/>
Saturday, August 26, from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon
or until the truck is full
Parking lot between City Office and the Community Center
Info: City of Greenbelt Recycling Office at 301-474-8308

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups.

There are currently vacancies on: Advisory Committee on Education, Advisory Planning Board, Arts Advisory Board, Community Relations Advisory Board, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, Park and Recreation Advisory Board and Youth Advisory Committee.

For information on how to apply contact 301-474-8000.



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- ◆ Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center
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*Contact the Greenbelt Recreation Department at 301.397.2200 for each facility’s hours of operation.

The new annual passes will expire on **August 27, 2018**. Passes are \$10 each. This fee can be waived in cases of economic hardship. Only Greenbelt residents and City employees are eligible to obtain these passes.

Residents seeking a pass must show proof of residency (State issued photo ID or current lease with a valid Greenbelt address).

For more information about Shuttle-UM visit:
<http://www.transportation.umd.edu/schedules.html>

Volunteers are needed to encourage recycling during the Labor Day Festival.

Green ACES/Green Team is seeking volunteers to stand near sets of recycling and trash bins to cheerfully encourage and help people “recycle the recyclables,” “compost the compostables,” and “trash the trash.” Please choose which days/times you can volunteer at: www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4caba929a2fd0-greening1

Training will be provided at the Public Works building (555 Crescent Road) on Wednesday, August 30, at 7:30 PM. We will be glad to sign community service hours and/or provide recommendations as appropriate. We expect mainly students as volunteers but we also need adults to provide light supervision.

For more information, contact: Luisa Robles, Greenbelt Sustainability Coordinator: 240-542-2153 lrobles@greenbeltmd.gov; OR Tom Taylor at tomtaylor0401@gmail.com.



Mom’s Morning Out

Greenbelt Pre-School Program

This traditional pre-school program provides activities that encourage social development, offers beginning reading, math, & science curriculum, develops fine and gross motor skills and encourages lots of fun with peers. Children must be fully potty trained before they are eligible to register.

Ages 3-4 years Tu/Th 9:00am-12:00pm
Greenbelt Youth Center

Ages 4-5 years M/W/F 9:00am-1:00pm
Greenbelt Youth Center

Instructors: Gaye Houchens, Megan Conley

*Pre-School Program is licensed by the Maryland State Department of Education #251208

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Fall session begins on September 5, 2017

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6400 Marlboro Pike
District Heights, Maryland 20747
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Doctors Community Practices at Laurel
13900 Baltimore Avenue
Laurel, Maryland 20707
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Doctors Community Practices at Riverdale
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ERHS SADD Members Work To Encourage Good Decisions

by Ekaete Ekpo



Members of SADD promote breast cancer awareness.

- Photos by Mya Whaley

Students in Eleanor Roosevelt High School’s Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) chapter worked to encourage and inform their peers during the 2016-2017 school year. SADD students kicked off the year by representing their organization in the homecoming parade on October 22. Throughout the remainder of October and November, they continued to promote SADD and its causes to fellow students for Teen Driver Safety Week, Breast Cancer Awareness Month and the Great American Smokeout Day – an occasion on which cigarette smoking was discouraged.

On April 5, SADD held two special events to help raise awareness about the dangers of driving under the influence. The first was the annual Mock Car Crash, in which a totaled car was put on display for students as an example of the risk drunk driving poses to this generation. The second was the Pre-Prom MADD (Mothers Against Destructive Decisions) Assembly, an event where special speakers warned students about potential post-prom dangers.

The following day – April 6 – served as Grim Ghost Day. On this day, various SADD members volunteered to read stories of

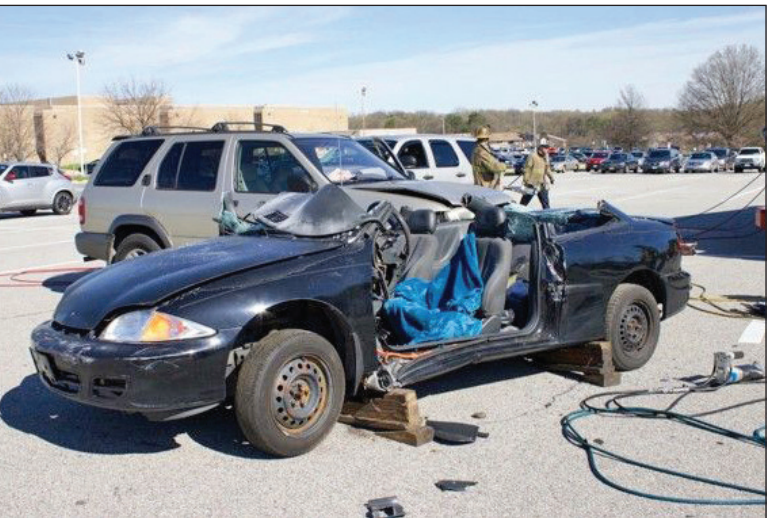
victims of drunk driving crashes to their classmates.

For the Prom Promise affair, all of Roosevelt’s seniors gathered in the gymnasium to sign pledges to be safe on prom night. Victoria Brown, a passionate MADD activist, also delivered a moving speech about her family’s tragic experience with drunk driving on this day.

SADD closed off the year with a celebration for National Mental Health Awareness Month on May 18. Brochures, books and handwritten, uplifting messages were displayed for students to learn about mental health. Several students painted their pinkies with green nail polish to signify their solidarity with people with mental illnesses.

Overall, this past school year was a definite success for SADD and for our community. Through its emphasis on outreach and understanding, SADD has made progress toward safety and security for young people and beyond. This coming school year, ERHS’s SADD chapter will continue to inform and guide local youth. Keep eyes and ears peeled for more of SADD activism in the near future.

Ekaete Ekpo is co-president, SADD Chapter @ ERHS



A totaled car is on display for students as an example of the risks of drunk driving.

My Point of View

Some Thoughts on Labor Day

by Jill Connor

The signs are up, the flyers are out, the bracelets are for sale and the orange barrels are starting to gather around Roosevelt Center. As someone who moved to Greenbelt a little over a year ago the Labor Day Festival was the first sense of what Greenbelt was all about to me. The Festival website says the Festival “celebrates the strength of America’s workforce and families.” The Festival, in my opinion, is about this community coming together to celebrate its past, present and future.

I am proud that I belong to a unique community that celebrates what labor has done for our country. I also am proud that we have made Labor Day the “the largest all-volunteer organization in the state of Maryland,” according to the Festival website. Not only do we celebrate labor, we try to make people not actually work for the Festival.

Before I moved here I thought of the holiday as ignored and poorly celebrated. If anything, it was the start of the school year. One of my former educator colleagues described it as a “speed bump” to her curriculum.

I was surprised when I moved here that Labor Day was the biggest holiday and parade for the city. Now I am proud of it. We should celebrate how hard we work. I work three jobs to help my family. I often go from one to the other in the same day.

I am grateful that I am not working outside in bad weather, nor doing tiring physical labor or working far from my family, but it still takes up at least a third of my week. I am lucky enough to enjoy my work and have worked hard to have a career I enjoy because of those time commitments in my life. Not everyone is as lucky. But, whatever work one does, it should be celebrated because it adds value to our community. Every job adds some value or people would not be paid for what they do.

Labor Day is also about celebrating the people that worked hard before we were here to make our country what it is. It isn’t about the soldiers or the



PHOTO BY JILL CONNOR

One of the Greenbelt Labor Day signs around town. This one is on the lawn on the Greenbelt Municipal Building.

presidents or the leaders. It is about everyone else. I love that we have a holiday like that in our country and celebrate it so emphatically in our community.

In respect to the celebration of the present I love that every piece of this city comes together and contributes or at least that is what it looks like from my perspective. I love walking around the Festival, seeing all the booths, looking through the donated books, watching people play Bingo, seeing people’s art and photography. I also love watching everyone talking with neighbors and friends. It seems like that is how Greenbelt starts the school year, with a catch-up at the Festival and lots of “What did you do this summer?”

Greenbelt has a very small town feel to me. It is amazing how interconnected everyone is. Quickly I was pulled into the group and belonged. It helped that I was volunteering and contributing to my community right away and that I had children who made friends quickly. Those opportunities to volunteer were easily available to me and the people who asked for my help were convincing.

I also see how this Festival speaks to the future of Greenbelt. My children are already connect-

ed to the Festival through their school and simply attending and loving the Festival. I know it will be a part of their childhood and a fond memory. The Festival also supports children with programs like the Rising Stars and gives a venue for the schools and non-profit organizations to interface with the public.

I am moved by how important this holiday has become to me, perhaps because I have moved to a town that celebrates it. If so, thank you Greenbelt. Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to celebrate the workers in my life.

Volunteer to Work At Firebird Farm

The University of the District of Columbia’s Firebird Farm in Beltsville is now accepting applications from those wishing to volunteer to work on the farm. Some jobs volunteers may do are transplanting seedlings into fields, planting ethnic crops, potting-up seedlings and more. Volunteer work on the farm is overseen by Amanda Tai. To contact her, email amanda.tai@udc.edu or call 202-274-7193.

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Council Authorizes City Sites For Election Campaign Signs

by Kathleen Gallagher

The city council voted to authorize the establishment of sites on city property for campaign signs to be installed by Public Works staff prior to the 2017 election. Since 1991, candidates have entered into a voluntary agreement to place signs in these locations rather than seeking placement in residential yards. Participating candidates pay a fee of \$75 to offset the cost to the city.

Since 2005, 15 sites have been used, five in each of the three parts of town. This year, the number of signs in Greenbelt West will be increased as Woodlawn Development has agreed to place signs in the median on Greenbelt Station Parkway, about 100 feet in from the bridge.

Petitions & Requests

Greenbelt East resident Colin Byrd made a request under the Petitions and Requests section of the meeting to greatly expand

opportunities for early voting located in Greenbelt East and Greenbelt West. He objected to there being substantially more voting times available in the Municipal Building since that is less convenient for residents not in center city.

It should be noted that any Greenbelt voter wishing to vote early can go to any of the three early voting locations or can choose to vote by mail by requesting an absentee ballot. A polling place is located at Schrom Hills for early voting over seven hours on one weekend in October and at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center over another weekend. Early voting is allowed during business hours at the city clerk's office in the Municipal Building, where no extra staffing is required, during the two weeks before the election. Eight additional hours are provided in the evenings at the Municipal Center.

Council Bolsters the Theater, Supports Museum Funding

by Kathleen Gallagher

Sprinkled among a potpourri of council agenda items, history and arts in Greenbelt reaped a significant amount of attention. Setting an optimistic tone, the meeting opened with a presentation from Camp Pine Tree campers of a check for \$732 for the Camps-to-Kids Fund, which will provide scholarships for future campers. The money for the donation was raised through a bake sale.

Museum Tax Credits

Council voted unanimously to send a letter of support for an application from the Friends of the Greenbelt Museum (FOGM) for State of Maryland Community Investment Tax Credits through the Department of Housing and Community Development. FOGM applied unsuccessfully to the program last year. Non-profit organizations can use the tax credits as incentives for raising funds for a specific project since individuals or organizations contributing money, goods or real property worth \$500 or more will be eligible to receive a state income tax credit. FOGM is applying to put the funding toward renovations at 10-A Crescent Road to create a visitor and education center.

Theater Funding

Council also voted unanimously to continue a subsidy for the

Old Greenbelt Theatre for Fiscal Year 2018, with \$40,000 to be provided. Executive Director Caitlin McGrath explained that although the theater is making progress toward its goal of being self-sustaining, several unanticipated challenges have resulted in a slower pace toward this goal than originally expected.

Mayor Emmett Jordan asked McGrath if the theater would now be capable of carrying the Pepco bill, which the city had to pick up at one point last year, when the bill exceeded both the theater's and the city's expectations. McGrath said they believe that to be the case.

Following discussion by council of funding provided for the current theater operation versus the former operator, the chair of the FOGT board commented that one of the main reasons for requesting the subsidy was to enable McGrath to have more time to engage in fundraising. Most of the councilmembers then expressed strong approval of the concept and programs being offered by the current operators and the benefits they were bringing to the city. The mayor added that he did, however, have some concern about the theater's sustainability.

they get the customer service number from your Pepco bill, they've got you, and it's a lot of trouble to switch back.

Just hang up.

Jane Huffman

Sustainable Greenbelt

I am writing to thank city employees – Jim Sterling, Brian Townsend, Erin Josephitis and possibly others – involved in crafting the current draft of the Sustainable Land Care Policy that was discussed at the August 2 city council worksession. The current draft reflects many cumulative years of real world experience shared by these professional land managers. At least two of the city advisory boards present (Advisory Committee on Trees and Park and Recreation Advisory Board) and a number of audience members spoke in favor of the draft policy as it realistically balances environmental and logistical challenges inherent in managing a large area with limited resources.

Unfortunately, the News Review article (August 10) that reported on the worksession focused largely on the concerns of members of one advisory board, GreenACES, who are not happy with the current draft because it is not based strictly on organic management principles, which, among other things, do not allow the use of synthetic fertilizers and many types of pesticides including herbicides.

Many who spoke in favor of the policy draft are experienced and professional natural resource managers who are very familiar with organic management principles and practices, support their use in many cases and use them in their professional and personal lives.

So, why are these people not joining GreenACES in condemning the Land Care Policy draft that does not require organic management practices be used on all city lands at all times? There are at least two reasons: 1) sometimes, there are no effective organic management options available to address a specific issue and 2) organic methods can be very labor intensive and the city does not have the budget to manage all lands organically. In addition,

some non-organic practices are considered more sustainable than some organic practices. Disallowing those practices makes no sense in a Sustainable Land Care Policy.

I have learned these lessons the hard way – by growing vegetables organically for more than 30 years and by managing organic research plots for more than 20 years. In using and studying organic methods I have sometimes wished the methods were more efficacious than they sometimes are. These experiences have also given me a very deep understanding of the challenges of using organic methods on a large scale.

There are many other Greenbelt citizens who have dedicated a substantial portion of their personal and professional lives to defining sustainable land care and many have been involved in Greenbelt Sustainable Land Care Policy discussions. It is ironic that those who insist that the Greenbelt Sustainable Land Care Policy rely solely on organic practices discount the considerable experience of those of us who have dedicated our lives to these challenging questions.

If those who support applying organic management principles to all Greenbelt public lands better

appreciated the real world challenges of organic management, and valued the input of those of us who have dedicated our professional lives to sustainable land management, we wouldn't still be debating the Sustainable Land Care Policy after 10 years. I applaud the city staff in being realistic while listening to all concerned voices. Contrary to the comments made by GreenACES members, cited in the News Review article, that this policy is "a step backwards," and that their suggestions have been ignored, I believe that city employees have bent over backwards to try to accommodate the concerns of all citizens. As part of their response, the city has reduced their pesticide use substantially – citizens who helped this happen should be proud of this accomplishment. But, after 10 years of the city listening to citizen input, it is time to adopt and implement the current draft Sustainable Land Care Policy and for well-meaning citizens to stop promoting organic management as some kind of magical panacea without backing up those claims with evidence and a practical understanding of what it is they are asking for.

Michael Cavigelli



PHOTO BY MARY MURCHISON-EDWARDS

A green tree frog blends into Schrom Hills Park.



PHOTO BY ERIC ZHANG

Lower left and center, Michael Travis and Lore Rosenthal of Greenbelt protest against the Keystone XL Pipeline in front of the TransCanada office on 13th St., N.W. in Washington, D.C. on August 8.



Greenbelt American Legion

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Family Picnic – Monday, Sept. 4

Public Welcome 2-6 pm



Menu

- Roast Beef
- Fried Chicken
- Italian Sausage/Peppers
- Hot Dogs
- Hamburgers
- Beer/Soft Drinks

Horseshoe tourney-Moon Bounce-Face Painting-Sack Races-Water balloon toss-Tug of War

All proceeds from events go toward American Legion Post 136 support programs for Veterans and the Greenbelt Community



FDR Grandson Given DVD of Cookie Caper

The Greenbelt Recreation Department’s Creative Kids Camp presented the play The Cookie Caper this summer. The plot features young detectives on the trail of a cookie thief who make an unexpected discovery. They find a diary hidden by a schoolgirl in 1937 on the day that Eleanor Roosevelt visited their school, now the Greenbelt Community Center.

The Cookie Caper celebrates Greenbelt past and present, espe-

cially its link with First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt. New Greenbelt residents Charles Hoffacker and Helena Mirtova were delighted by the production. On Friday, August 18 they presented The Cookie Caper DVD and program to James Roosevelt Jr., grandson of Eleanor and Franklin Delano Roosevelt, who spoke fondly of Greenbelt, a community in which his Roosevelt grandparents took a special interest.

Retro Town Fair Returns at Festival

Gardeners, canners, knitters and all homemaking crafty folks – start preparing entries for the Fifth Retro Town Fair. It will be held over Labor Day weekend on Sunday, September 3 on the grounds of the museum house at 10-B Crescent Road.

Judging classes will include flowers/vegetables/fruits, baked goods, canned goods, needlework and crafts. More information is available on the Retro Town Fair registration form available at greenbeltmuseum.org. For questions, go to education@greenbeltmuseum.org

Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, www.greenbeltnmd.gov/police

Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

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and Franklin Park management has proposed a public-private partnership to establish a dog park in that community. The adopted budget includes \$15,000 for installing a second dog park, if approved.

Based upon council’s comments, it appeared likely that a worksession on the topic will be scheduled.

Getting Around

The budget allocates \$20,000 each for further work on implementing the pedestrian/bicycle master plan and to begin implementing the bus stop accessibility study. It also funds three bus shelters.

Councilmember Konrad Herling asked whether the city could do four shelters per year instead of the current plan for three per year. Councilmember Judith Davis, supported by Mayor Emmett Jordan, urged staff to consider whether they could serve more people by installing benches on

concrete pads in place of shelters at some bus stops. While not offering protection from the weather, at least bus riders could take the load off their feet while waiting for the next bus.

Grants

Grants the city had sought to improve the playground at the Community Center and to repair the Mother and Child statue in Roosevelt Center were not approved. Staff suggested that Program Open Space funds be used for the playground and is looking for alternate funding sources for the statue repairs.

Greenbrook Trails

Funding is not the issue for this project, lost paperwork is. The city and Greenbrook started work years ago to improve trails and pathways under an easement agreement. Davis said that although the work has been “on the list” for 10 years, no one can find the easement agreement. She urged staff to track down the

most recent draft and restart the review. Councilmember Edward Putens agreed, saying that the city needs to live up to its commitments.

Other Items

Moran noted that the overrun of the 2001 Bond Fund remains on the books with a balance of just over \$1 million. This overage reflects higher than anticipated costs for the Public Works facility and renovations to the Old Greenbelt Theatre.

The budget allocates \$67,000 for the first phase of new “Welcome to Greenbelt” type signs at each entrance to the city. Of this, \$50,000 will be funded by a Heritage Areas grant and \$17,500 by the city.

While the budget sets aside \$230,000 for land acquisition, Bellah said that none of the land council wishes to acquire is currently on the market.

Theft

August 12, 10 a.m., 7300 block Frankfort Court. A yellow 21-speed bicycle was taken from the backyard of a residence. It was recovered the same day in the 7200 block South Ora Court.

August 13, 20 Southway. An unattended wallet was taken from the counter at the BP gas station.

Burglary

August 13, 2:30 p.m., 9100 block Springhill Lane. Beauty products, storage bins and a bracelet were taken from a residence. There were no signs of forced entry.

Vandalism

August 12, 6:02 p.m., Cherrywood Terrace near Breezewood Drive. Graffiti was spray painted on a utility pole.

Vehicle Crime

Five stolen vehicles were recovered. Two from Greenbelt were recovered by Prince George’s County police. A 2005 Mercury Marquis stolen July 26 from the 5800 block Cherrywood Lane was recovered August 11 in the 5800 block Morris Avenue in Clinton, and a 2000 Dodge Caravan stolen August 4 from the 6100 block Breezewood Drive was recovered August 14 in the 6300 block Stonewain Court in Fort Washington.

Two vehicles reported stolen to Prince George’s County police were recovered in Greenbelt. A 2001 Chevrolet Suburban SUV was recovered in the 7400 block Greenbelt Road, and a 2011 BMW 328i was recovered on Mandan Road near Mathew Street.

A 2014 Honda CB motorcycle reported stolen July 4 from the 5900 block Cherrywood Lane was recovered August 14 in the parking lot of the BP gas station on Southway.

Five thefts from vehicles were reported. Four occurred after windows were broken to gain access, one in the 5400 block Stream Bank Road (laptop computer), one in the 7800 block Mandan Road (audiovisual system) and two in the 8000 block Mandan Road (speakers, audiovisual system).

An iPod Nano and Maryland driver’s license were taken from an unlocked vehicle in 48 Court Ridge. Rear Md. temporary registration tag T250622 was taken from the 9100 block Edmonston Road.

Vandalism occurred in the 7800 block Hanover Parkway and on Parkway near Hillside, where windows were broken out.

The Department is offering a reward of up to \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of a suspect in any of the unsolved crimes reported in the blotter.

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completed. It took much longer than expected, but according to City Planner Jessica Bellah the city also now has a much better handle on the status of the work.

Bellah also noted that residents should be aware that the lake path area around the dam will be closed for significant time periods over the last phases of the project, although the rest of the park and the path will remain open.

MDE has encouraged the city to apply for a low-interest (about 2.1 percent) loan through its revolving loan program. The remaining three phases of the project (blanket filter system, raising of embankment and spillway repair) are estimated to cost at least \$1.4 million. In comparison, the original 2010 estimate had been \$510,000.

Given the attractive terms of this loan, council is in agreement that it should be pursued, but doing so requires voter approval in the form of a bond referendum question on the ballot of the November 7 election. A resolution for this ballot question must be adopted no later than the September 25 meeting, and it will likely be introduced for first reading at the September 11 meeting.

Police Bargaining

Since early this year, the city has been negotiating with rep-

resentatives of Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) Lodge #32 on a new, three-year collective bargaining agreement (CBA) to take effect on July 1. It had been ratified by the FOP and was approved on a unanimous vote by council at the meeting.

Resident Colin Byrd objected strongly to what he considered to be a lack of transparency in the development of the CBA, indicating that the city should proceed as he believed some jurisdictions do, by making the document available to the public prior to any vote being taken.

GAFC Boilers

A resolution for the purchase and installation of replacement boilers at the Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center by Densel Company of Gaithersburg, at a cost of \$217,420 was introduced and adopted. The boilers, which are at the end of their useful life, are essential to the operation of the indoor pool. Because the new boilers are energy efficient, the city anticipates receiving a \$7,000 rebate from Washington Gas.

The rule requiring readings at two different meetings was suspended because the ideal time for installation of new boilers is during the annual closing of the indoor pool. The vendor was chosen from two proposals submitted following a request for

proposals.

Several of the items approved on the consent agenda, by which the staff recommendation is approved by council without discussion, include the following:

- Renewal of MOU at a cost of \$4,452 with the University of Maryland for shuttle passes at an annual fee of \$10 for city residents and employees;
- Contracting with NZI Construction Corporation of Beltsville for \$115,450 in Community Development Block Grant funds to reconstruct a portion of Breezewood Drive;
- Authorization of a letter to be sent to the owners of the Adult Care Center causing them to vacate the premises by September 30 due to delinquency in paying rent;
- Receipt of the Public Safety Advisory Committee’s report on placement of security cameras throughout the city, for which a worksession will be scheduled.

10,000 Backpacks For Students

The 7th Annual PGCPs Back-to-School Fair will take place on Saturday, August 26 at Prince George’s Stadium, 4101 Crain Highway in Bowie.

Families must register in advance to receive a backpack at the Fair. Representatives from several PGCPs offices will be there to share information about registration, student services and programs. Families may also purchase school uniforms at the event.

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ABC News Schedules Second Clinic on Employment Law

by Stan Zirkin

ABC News has scheduled a second employment law call-in clinic for Wednesday, September 13. The switchboard at ABC News will be open between 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. for volunteer attorneys from the Washington Lawyers Committee for Civil Right and Urban Affairs (WLC) to assist callers. The news team will announce the number to call during the 4 p.m. show and intermittently during the 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. broadcasts.

The volunteer attorneys will be available to answer questions from viewers from the District, Maryland and Virginia on a wide variety of employment issues, including wage theft (failure to pay minimum wage or overtime); unemployment compensation; Family and Medical Leave Act; sick leave; discrimination laws, including sexual harassment; workers' compensation; OSHA; terminations; and employee benefits.

The first WLC clinic occurred on July 6 (See June 29 News Review, page 9). That program attracted more than 100 callers to seven attorneys. Based on the volume of callers and positive feedback received after the broadcasts, ABC invited WLC to reappear on the program. It has also opened discussions with the goal of having WLC volunteers appear on the news shows on a quarterly basis.

Among the issues raised to this reporter during the first WLC Clinic included an employer that refused to allow bathroom breaks; an employer that refused to supply safety masks during construction; an employer that kept changing employee working hours arbitrarily and without notice, preventing the employee from arranging reasonable day care; and a blatant case of sexual harassment.

Price Hike Imminent On NPS Senior Pass

The National Park Service (NPS) lifetime Senior Pass is increasing from \$10 to \$80, their first price increase since 1994. Seniors have until Monday, August 28 to buy a pass at the lower rate. Passes can be bought at the Ranger Station at Greenbelt Park, ordered by mail or online (with an additional \$10 processing fee). Information about ordering online or by mail is at store.usgs.gov/senior.

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Greenbelt MakerSpace in Roosevelt Center was another natural draw and opened for the occasion, serving homemade refreshments and offering refuge from the heat. The 40 or so people who gathered appreciated that and the camaraderie, but reportedly were pleasantly surprised by the variety of eclipse viewing contraptions. “There were so many ways to view it,” said Jennifer Page, board president of the non-profit activity center. Others agreed. Most distinctive were the Safe Solar Viewers built in the weeks prior to the event at the MakerSpace. These three-foot-long contraptions were fashioned from cardboard boxes, binder clips and two lenses, one of which magnified the image of the sun, Page explained.

Judging from the many pictures and comments shared on social media, most found the moments after 2:42 p.m., when the moon blocked over 80 percent of the sun, a magical one. “We were all discovering it together,” said Beth LeaMond. “When we all saw that the tree leaf pinhole images were in the shape of crescents, everyone oohed and ahhed.” Like some of those who had gathered, she and a friend came equipped with their own large-box pinhole viewer. “There was a fascinating assortment of homemade eclipse imaging gadgets,” added Robin Buck. “I loved that the event was so neighborly, with cookies and lemonade and viewing glasses generously provided.”

The creativity wasn’t limited to cardboard and cereal boxes. Page described someone’s use of a dollar-store reading glass lens which projected a nice sharp image on the pavement. And for the minimalists, using one’s hands curled as if around a broom handle or fingers crisscrossed to form a grid created a handy mini-viewer that cast an image of the crescent-shaped sun on the sidewalk.

Perhaps the most artistic image seen Monday, particularly by those who just stepped out of their homes and offices for a few minutes at peak, was the crescent image of the sun projected a thousand times through the tree leaves.

Going for the totality experience, many in the community, including a few of the staff from the News Review, traveled to opposite ends of the 70-mile wide swath. Elaine Nakash ventured west to Wyoming, and Helen Sydavar headed the farthest east, to down near Charleston, S.C. Wanting to maximize exposure, Amy Hansen and her family headed to Shawnee National Forest in southern Illinois where the moon blocked the sun for two minutes and 41.6 seconds – the longest duration of totality in the country.

“As the total eclipse approached, clouds started to cover the sun and you could feel the angst of everyone around us,” she reported. “But the clouds blew over just as the corona appeared. And indeed, it was truly awesome.”

Jeffrey Jones reported that “the viewing was spectacular” in Hopkinsville, Ky. Reports of beautiful clear blue skies in Franklin, N.C., came from Anne Gardner. Mary Lou Williamson gathered with her family at Lake Hartwell on the Georgia-South Carolina line. Her wow moments were finally taking off her glasses to see the totality, Bailey’s Beads and the diamond ring, and the screams of joy from the crowd on the beach.

The News Review staff who stayed in town also offered reflections from other points in the area. Lola Skolnik had plans to go to Goddard with family, but ended up at Northway Fields with other Greenbelters. “Lots of families – kids playing and adults

visiting,” she said. “Low-key and perfect.” And Deanna Dawson just took a break from work and brought along a found-object viewer. “It was interesting, but not very satisfying, to see lots of crescents projected through tree leaves and through the colander I’d brought for indirect viewing,” she remarked. “Luckily, a co-worker had the special glasses – it was nifty to look directly at the crescent sun!”



In Roosevelt Center, an old eyeglass lens projects an image of the sun.



A crowd at NASA Goddard Space Flight Center are all smiles at the moment of maximum partial eclipse.



13 Court Ridge residents and friends share glasses and lemonade. Front row from left: Joyce Mangum, Klara Meyer. Second row: exchange student from Germany Heather Holland, Barbara Havekost, Margaret Lundregan, Bill Duncan and Shobha Duncan. Back row: Linda Curtis and Nanna Eg, visiting from Denmark.



More than 70 Greenbelters, including Cub Scout Pack 202 and Girl Scout Troop 2, gather at Northway Fields to see the eclipse.



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This Festival is organized and conducted by an independent volunteer group, the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee. These generous and dedicated citizens have worked long hours over the past year to ensure that we all have a wonderful time. We are grateful for their efforts and those of all the other community volunteers and City employees who make this event possible.

We hope you enjoy this weekend's festivities. Plan to come all four days and take full advantage of the wide range of activities being offered, from the Opening Ceremony and Concert on Friday evening to the Labor Day Parade on Monday. If you have any questions about the City of Greenbelt, please call us at 301-474-8000.

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The Greenbelt City Council, standing from left, Councilmembers Rodney Roberts, Leta Mach, Konrad Herling and Edward Putens; sitting from left, Councilmember Silke Pope, Mayor Emmett Jordan and Mayor Pro Tem Judith Davis.

Festival Hours

Friday – 6pm to 11pm
Saturday – 10:30am to 11pm
Sunday – Noon to 11pm
Monday – 11am to 6pm

**See shuttle schedule on
page 8.**

**"Reduce, Reuse,
Recycle,
Replenish!"**

Help us keep the Green in Greenbelt!



Navy Band Sea Chanters

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Free concert, Thursday, August 31
Eleanor Roosevelt High School
7-8:30pm; doors open at 6:30pm

As a thank you to our community for your support and dedication, the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee is proud to present a free concert by the Navy Band Sea Chanters, the US Navy's official chorus. The ensemble performs a variety of music ranging from traditional choral, including sea chanteys and patriotic fare, to opera, Broadway, and contemporary. Among the performers is Musician 1st Class William F. Edwards, an Eleanor Roosevelt alum.

Seats will be available on a first come, first served basis. If you have questions, please contact Linda Ivy at 301-675-0585 or lindaivy@aol.com.

To receive updates on the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival, follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

Why Cook?

Relax Over the Weekend . . .
Eat Out at the Festival!



Food Booths in the Carnival Midway include:

Astronomical Society of Greenbelt

– **German Sausage, Butterfly Chips**

Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club

– **Lemonade, Pretzels, Funnel Cake**

Greenbelt Fraternal Order of Police

– **Turkey, Ham, Crab Cake**

Greenbelt Knights of Columbus

– **Italian and Polish Sausage**

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– **Cheeseburgers, Nachos, Fried Candy Bars**

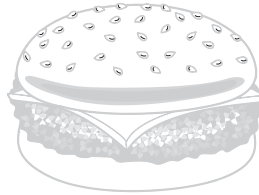
Green Vegan Networking

– **Jerk Chicken, Chicken Curry, Fried Broccoli**

MakerSpace – **Snoballs**

Old Greenbelt Theatre

– **Chicken on a Stick, Pad Thai, Fried Rice, Egg Roll**



Sodas and Beverages Available at Many Booths

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle at the Labor Day Festival

Please help green the Labor Day Festival!

The Public Works/Green Team booth and volunteers will have information about recycling, composting and filling up your reusable water bottles. We'll also have some fun informational games and green prizes at the Public Works booth.

There are water fountains at the Municipal Building, Aquatic Center, and the Co-Op grocery store. Some businesses and restaurants will also let you fill your water bottle. Look for the TapIt decal or water bottle flyer in store windows.

Trash, recycling and composting bins with instructional decals will be grouped together throughout the festival grounds.

Carnival Midway Booths and Activities

Ride tickets - \$1.00/each, \$20.00 for 25 tickets, and \$25.00 for the "All You Can Ride Wristband" for unlimited rides during certain times on ONE DAY ONLY. Choose between 11am to 4pm Saturday OR Noon to 4pm Sunday. No charge for entertainment, shows or events unless noted. Vouchers for wristbands may be purchased for \$12.00 at the Co-op Supermarket until Noon on Friday, September 1. These vouchers can be redeemed at the Festival for the wristband. Prices subject to change without notice. No refunds.

Greenbelt Animal Control – **Dunk Tank, Pooch Plunge & Informational Handouts**

Greenbelt Baha'i Community – **Button Making**

Greenbelt Baptist Church – **Information, activity**

Greenbelt Elementary School PTA – **Used Book Sale**

Greenbelt Nursery School – **Greenbelt Is Great T-shirts**

St. Hugh's Ladies of Charity – **Bingo, Soda, Water**



Rides by Sherwood Amusements. Booths constructed and wired by Greenbelt Public Works Department.

Friday, Sept. 1

All events will take place in the Roosevelt Center parking lots unless otherwise noted. No advance registration is required unless stated. No alcoholic beverages will be sold at the Festival. City ordinances prohibit the consumption of alcoholic beverages in city parks, buildings and the Festival area.

In case of rain, stage events and some booth activities will be moved to the Community Center and the Youth Center. Carnival rides may close without refunds. For Festival information and a schedule, check Verizon Channel 21 and Comcast Channel 71 or see greenbeltlaborday.com. Carnival directory signs are located at the Information Booth, Upper Lot Entry and Southway/Crescent Road entrance.

Avoid parking problems, ride the FREE Festival shuttle. Vans will pick up at various parking locations around Greenbelt (see shuttle schedule on page 8 for a complete listing) and deliver the riders to the Festival area. Armory for parking only; no shuttle pickup from Armory. Walk 0.4 mile to Festival from Armory.

This schedule is subject to change without notice. Questions? Call Festival Information at 301-502-6168 or visit the website at greenbeltlaborday.com or visit the Information Booth on the grounds.

9am- GREENBELT MUSEUM EXHIBITION

9:30pm Community Center, Rm. 110. The Knowing Hands That Carve This Stone: The New Deal Art of Lenore Thomas Straus. FREE.

Sponsored by Maryland Heritage Areas Authority, Prince George's County Councilmember for 4th District – Todd M. Turner, The Estate of Sue Hoya Sellars, City of Greenbelt, and the Friends of the Greenbelt Museum

5-7pm ART SHOW ENTRIES ACCEPTED

Community Center. Entries accepted only. Entries also accepted Thursday 5-7pm and Friday 10am-Noon. See page 7.

5-7pm PHOTO SHOW ENTRIES ACCEPTED

Community Center. Entries also accepted Thursday 5-7pm. See page 7.

5-7pm TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Youth Center. "Open Division" - no age limit. Trophies to winners and runners-up. Singles & Doubles. Registration from 4:30-5pm. See Youth Table Tennis Tournament entry at noon Sunday. *Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation Department*

6-10pm CARNIVAL MIDWAY OPENS

Midway. Rides by Sherwood Amusements. Games, food sale and information booths organized by Greenbelt organizations. Booths constructed and wired by Greenbelt Public Works Department. Ride tickets sold by volunteers from the Eleanor Roosevelt High School National Honor Society. No charge for entertainment, shows or events unless noted.

6-11pm FACE PAINTING FUNDRAISER

Various locations throughout the festival.

6:30- OPENING CEREMONIES

7:15pm Stage. Police and color guard. Introduction of dignitaries. Presentation of Outstanding Citizen Award, the major civic event in Greenbelt each year, honoring all the outstanding citizens who make Greenbelt great. Sign language interpreter.

7:15pm 2017 OUTSTANDING CITIZEN RECEPTION

Municipal Building, Council Meeting Room. Public is invited.

8-11pm SPLIT 2ND

Stage. While primarily a classic rock band, these veteran musicians cover all your favorite tunes from the '60s to today's music, from Motown to country and stretching across a variety of popular musical genres. *Sponsored by Choice Clinical Services*



Split 2nd



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Saturday, Sept. 2

8:30am- SLOW PITCH TOURNAMENT

8pm Braden Field, Northway Field and Schrom Hills Park. Come out and see DMV's best softball teams play in a one-day tournament for the coveted Labor Day trophy. Tournament schedule will be posted soon.
Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation Department and National Softball Association

9am- GREENBELT MUSEUM EXHIBITION

9:30pm See Friday 9am entry for description.

9am GREENBELT MUSEUM WALKING TOUR

10-B Crescent Rd. Join the Greenbelt Museum for a history-filled walking tour. The tour will leave from the museum's historic house at 10-B Crescent Road. Learn about Greenbelt's unique design and why the community is a National Historic Landmark. The tour is free but space is limited.

9:30- CHILDREN'S PET SHOW

10:30am Community Center Lawn. All kinds, types, sizes of pets. Bring your pet to register at 9:30am. Judging at 10am. Awards at 10:30am. Greenbelt's greatest pets get some well-deserved attention. Rain or Shine!
Sponsored by Girl Scout Troop #3251 of Greenbelt

10am INFORMATION DAY & COMMUNITY EXHIBITS

-4pm Roosevelt Center. Visit the information and display tables set up by local groups and learn about your community! Participating groups listed in box below.

10:30am BOOTHS

-10pm See Carnival Midway entry at 6pm Friday.

11am- CARNIVAL

10pm See Carnival Midway entry at 6pm Friday.

11am FACE PAINTING FUNDRAISER

-4pm Various locations throughout the festival.

11am- COMMUNITY DRUM CIRCLE

noon Stage. Community Drum Circle with Katy Gaughan. Katy has led the drum circle at Greenbelt's 4th of July Fanfare at Buddy Attick Park for the past 9 years and is one of the organizers of the Greenbelt Rhythm & Drum Festival.

Noon- THE RELICS

1:30pm The Relics bring new life to classic songs from the 1960s and 1970s. The group was formed by members of the Greenbelt Community Church, among them Greenbelt's 2016 Outstanding Citizen, Rick Ransom.
Sponsored by Linda Ivy - Realty 1

1-5pm FAMILY-FRIENDLY CARTOONS

Old Greenbelt Theatre. Beat the heat by taking a break from the festival fun in the cool, air-conditioned comfort of the Old Greenbelt Theatre. Dip in and out, and stay as little or as long as you like! FREE.
Sponsored by the Roosevelt Center Merchants Association

1-6pm ART SHOW AND PHOTO SHOW

Community Center. See displays of art and photographs by local artists of all ages. See page 7.

2-4pm ROLLER SKATING

Youth Center Gym. Grab your skates and save the date! Join family and friends to participate in a storied Greenbelt tradition. Roller skates are provided FREE of charge or bring your own.
Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation Department and M-NCPPC

2- FAST EDDIE AND THE SLOWPOKES

4:30pm Stage. The Slowpokes' playlist is inspired by classic blues material from Chicago to West Coast Swing, Motown to Muscle Shoals, and all the rock 'n' roll in between.
Sponsored by Town Center Realty

4&6pm MEMORIAL GATHERING

Grassy area behind Mother and Child statue. Come to honor those friends and relatives who have passed. There will be a motorcycle ride at 4pm, followed by a memorial gathering at 6pm. Please feel free to bring flowers to lay on the hill during the memorial service.

5- PATTY REESE

7:30pm Stage. Patty Reese's soulful expression and powerhouse pipes have prompted comparisons with the likes of Janis Joplin, Aretha Franklin and Bob Dylan.
Sponsored by NCB, FSB - Ryan Greer

8-11pm THE NOWHERE MEN

Stage. Like to dance? Love that Motown sound, the great horn bands of the '60s and '70s and hits from artists like Earth, Wind & Fire; The Temptations and much more: Then you will love The Nowhere Men.
Sponsored by Greenbelt Sunoco

Information Day and Community Exhibits

- Astronomical Society of Greenbelt
- Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department & Rescue Squad
- ChasenBoscolo Lawyers That Care
- Chesapeake Climate Action Network (CCAN)
- Community Relations Advisory Board
 - District 36 Toastmasters
- GHI Companion Animal Committee
- GIVES (Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service)
 - Greenbelt American Legion
 - Greenbelt Climate Action Network (GCAN)
 - Greenbelt Community Animal Response Team (GCART)
 - Greenbelt Community Church
 - Greenbelt Federal Credit Union
- Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (Storm-water Management Task Force)
 - Greenbelt News Review
 - Health Care is Human Right—Prince George's
 - Kitchen Saver
 - Legacy Real Estate Properties
 - Maryland 529
 - Prince George's County Peace & Justice Coalition
 - Prince George's Philharmonic
 - Register of Wills
 - St. Columba's Scottish Country Dance
- The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints—Carrollton Ward
 - 40 Days For Life/College Park

Sunday, Sept. 3

9am- GREENBELT MUSEUM EXHIBITION

8:30pm See Friday 9am entry for description.

9- "TOUR DE GREENBELT" BIKE RIDE

10:45am New Deal Cafe. Join Mayor Emmett Jordan and Jeff from Proteus Bicycles on a bike ride around Greenbelt. The ride will take place in two stages, both starting at the New Deal Cafe. The first stage will leave at 9am and go to the new Greenbelt Station neighborhood in Greenbelt West. The second stage will leave at approximately 10am and go to Schrom Hills Park. Note, this is not a supported ride and may not be suitable for families with very young children.

11am- FACE PAINTING FUNDRAISER

11pm Various locations throughout the festival.

Noon- CRAFT FAIR

8pm Roosevelt Center. Visit with local artists as they display their handmade crafts. See box below for list of crafts.

Noon- CARNIVAL AND BOOTHS

10pm See Carnival Midway entry at 6pm Friday.

Noon- TRIO ANAYA

1:30pm Stage. Lively Alamo Mexican Restaurant mariachi band.

Noon- YOUTH TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT (SINGLES ONLY)

2pm Youth Center Gym. Open to anyone 15 years & younger. Registration from 11:30am-noon. Trophies to winner and runner-up. See "Open Division" Table Tennis Tournament entry at 5pm Friday.

Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation Department

1-5pm GREENBELT MUSEUM HOUSE

10-B Crescent Rd. The Greenbelt Museum's historic home has been restored and furnished with objects from the period 1937-1952. See how Greenbelt's families lived back then. FREE.

1-6pm ART SHOW AND PHOTO SHOW

Community Center. See entry at 1pm Saturday.

2-4pm HOT SHOT HOOPS

Youth Center Gym. Ages 12 & under. Registration at 2pm; tournament begins at 2:30pm. Participants have two minutes to make as many shots as they can within a half-court area. Trophies will be awarded to the winner and runner-up.

Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation Department

2-4pm MARY SHAVER AND ZACHARY SWEENEY

Stage. Mary Shaver and Zachary Sweeney play blues, country, rock and Mary's original music.

2-4pm RETRO TOWN FAIR

10-B Crescent Rd. Fair will take place on the grounds of the Museum house. Ribbons will be awarded for the best entries in a number of categories, including flowers, vegetables, baked goods, canned goods and needlework/sewing. Entries accepted 11am-noon. Winners on display 2-4pm. All items must be picked up between 4-5pm.

3-5pm FAMILY-FRIENDLY CARTOONS

Old Greenbelt Theatre. See Saturday 1pm entry for description. *Sponsored by the Roosevelt Center Merchants Association*

4:15- TWO BALL TOURNAMENT (TEAMS OF 2)

5:15pm Youth Center Gym. Ages 13 & over. Registration at 3:45pm; tournament begins at 4:15pm. Trophies will be awarded to winners and runners-up.

Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation Department

4:30- RISING STARS PERFORMANCE SHOWCASE

7:30pm Stage. Performers age 17 years or younger will have the chance to display their talent, whether it be singing, dancing, playing a musical instrument or other.

5pm LARRY NOEL 15K RACE

5:10pm 3K FUN RUN

The DC Road Runners Club is conducting its annual Larry Noel Greenbelt 15K Race and 3K Fun Run. As in past years, the 15K race will start on Northway at 5pm, and the 3K Fun Run will start near the Youth Center at 5:10pm.

Sponsored by DC Road Runners

8-11pm THE ORIGINAL MOONLIGHTERS

Stage. Known as DC's #1 Motown and variety dance band, the Original Moonlighters perform a mix of jazz, rhythm and blues, 1940s big-band swing standards, 1950s rock 'n' roll, and a whole lot more.

Sponsored by PNC Bank N.A.

Craft Fair

Visit with local artists as they display their handmade crafts.

Many items including bags, baskets, bath and body products, decorative soaps, fabric arts, greeting cards, henna designs and art work, jewelry, knitwear, pens, pillows, sand art, scarves, scents, shea butter products, tie dye, totes, T-shirts, weaving, dolls, pottery and woodcrafts. The Vanilla Gorilla, Greenbelt's own Sam Crossed, will be signing and selling T-shirts.

Roosevelt Center: Sunday, noon-8pm, and Monday, noon-6pm



Rising Stars Performance Showcase

Sunday, September 3, Main Stage, 4:30-7:30pm

Katelyn, the Green Acrobat, performs during the Rising Stars, a program that gives performers age 17 years or younger the opportunity to display their talent.



Monday, Sept. 4

9am- 5:30pm GREENBELT MUSEUM EXHIBITION
See Friday 9am entry for description.

10am- Noon 62nd ANNUAL GREENBELT LABOR DAY PARADE
The parade will entertain you with a variety of groups, demonstrating our community spirit and accentuating our city's diverse cultural background. There will be bands, fire trucks, color guard, numerous community organizations and more. The Grand Marshal is Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen. Parade Route: Down Crescent Rd. from Greenhill to Southway. Parade is marshaled by the Prince George's County Emergency Radio Association (PGCERA) with assistance from the Prince George's County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (PG-ARES) and the Eleanor Roosevelt High School National Honor Society.

11am- 6pm CARNIVAL AND BOOTHS
See Carnival Midway entry at 6pm Friday.

11am -3pm TOURS OF THE GREENBELT MUSEUM
10-B Crescent Rd. Immediately following the parade, come by the Museum house for a quick tour. The Greenbelt Museum's historic home has been restored and furnished with objects from the period 1937-1952. FREE.

Noon- 2pm LUNCHEON ON THE LAWN
Greenbelt Community Church, Corner of Hillside and Crescent Rd. After parade. Barbeque sandwich or hot dog, baked beans, slaw, chips, drink and dessert for one reasonable price.

Noon- 6pm CRAFT FAIR
See Sunday Noon entry for description.

Noon- 6pm FACE PAINTING FUNDRAISER
Various locations throughout the festival.

1- 1:30pm CHEER DC
Stage. A 501(c) nonprofit organization, Cheer DC is a unique mix of athletes creating a fun and dynamic environment to support the LGBTQ community.

1-3pm MOVIE: A PLACE IN THE SUN
Old Greenbelt Theatre. Set in part over Labor Day weekend, this classic 1951 film centers on a working-class young man who is entangled with two women: one who works in his wealthy uncle's factory and the other a beautiful socialite. It stars Montgomery Clift, Elizabeth Taylor and Shelley Winters. FREE.
Sponsored by the Roosevelt Center Merchants Association

1-3pm YOUTH SCAVENGER HUNT (TEAMS OF 2)
Youth Center. Can you find them all? Team up with a friend and see if you can find all Greenbelt has to offer. Ages 15 & under. Registration begins at 12:45pm in front of the Youth Center entrance. Trophies will be awarded to winners and runners-up.
Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation Department

1-4pm ART SHOW AND PHOTO SHOW
Community Center. See entry at 1pm Saturday. Awards will be presented on stage from 12:30-1:30pm. Exhibitors pick up their items at 4pm.

1:30- 2:30pm AWARD PRESENTATIONS
Stage. Presentation of awards for the Art Show, Photo Show, Best Entry in each parade category and Best in Parade.

3-6pm JOHNNY SEATON
Stage. Johnny Seaton wows audiences with his performance of the music of Elvis Presley.
Sponsored by Greenbelt Auto and Truck Repair

3-7pm GREENBELT AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY PICNIC
After enjoying Labor Day Festival activities in Roosevelt Center, have fun at the American Legion Labor Day Family Picnic. Fun events for children and adults.



The Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee would like to thank the Eleanor Roosevelt High School National Honor Society members who have volunteered their time at this year's Festival.



Johnny Seaton

The Greenbelt Labor Day Festival offers a unique opportunity for local residents to display their talents and creativity.

Art Show

Community Center. Pre-registration for the art show is not required; bring your artwork to the Community Center between 5-7pm on Thursday, 10am-Noon or 5-7pm on Friday.

Participating children must live or go to school in Greenbelt or have a parent or grandparent who lives or works in Greenbelt. Participating adult artists must be from Greenbelt or the surrounding communities.

Adult artists are limited to four entries, and children and teens are limited to three entries. Adult two-dimensional art work must be framed for hanging. Children's art can be matted or mounted. Adult artists must volunteer to help with hanging the artwork Friday evening or sit with the show for one hour during the Festival.

Viewing will be Saturday and Sunday 1-6 pm. Awards will be presented on the stage Monday at 1:30pm. Viewing will take place Monday 1-4pm, except during the award ceremony, and pick-up will run from 4-5pm. The committee is not responsible for unclaimed work.

For information see: www.greenbeltlaborday.com/events-and-activities/art-show/ or contact Tom Baker at tombakercreate@gmail.com.

Sponsored by Greenbelt Association for the Visual Arts (GAVA)

Categories:

ADULT

- Oil and Acrylic Painting
- Watercolor Painting
- Drawing
- Graphics/Mixed Media/ 2 Dimensional
- Fine Crafts
- Sculpture/Mixed Media/ 3 Dimensional

CHILDREN

- Pre-School to age 6
- Ages 7 to 10 years
- Ages 11 to 14 years
- Ages 15 to 18 years
- Painting
- Drawing/Prints/Collages
- Sculpture/3 Dimensional



The **Cipriano Award** is given each year to one adult winner and one child for art depicting "Americans at Work."

Photo Show

Community Center. Pre-registration for the photo show is not required; bring up to two photos per person and a completed registration form to the Community Center between 5-7pm on Thursday or Friday. Outside of frame must be less than 16" by 20" and be ready to hang. Viewing will be Saturday and Sunday 1-6pm, Monday 1-4pm. Visitors can vote for their "Community Favorites" on Saturday and Sunday. All winning photos will have ribbons displayed on photos on Saturday and announced on stage Monday at 1:30pm. Pick-up will run from 4-5pm on Monday. For information see www.greenbeltlaborday.com/events-and-activities/photo-show/ or contact Keith Zevallos at 240-355-2908.

Categories:

- Proud America
- Extreme Weather
- Those Who Serve and Protect Us
- Greener Living in Greenbelt
- My Greenbelt/Greenbelt Memories
- Produced in Greenbelt Darkroom
- Landscapes – Sunrise/Sunset
- Landscapes – All Other
- People – Photos of Children
- People – Photos of Adults & Families
- Flowers • Wild Animals and Nature
- Pets • Travel • Buildings & Architecture
- Still Life/Pictorial/Abstract



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**Shuttle buses will pick up and drop off Festival goers
approximately every 30 minutes:**

Route:

Greenbelt Elementary School,
Green Ridge House (residents only),
Eleanor Roosevelt High School

Friday 6pm to 11pm;
Saturday 10:30am to 11pm
Sunday Noon to 11pm; Monday 1pm to 6pm

Additional route:

Springhill Lake Recreation Center Parking Lot,
Greenbelt Metro Kiss & Ride Lot, Greenbelt
Station Townhouses at the parking lot for
model houses

Friday 6pm to 10pm; Saturday 3pm to 10pm
Sunday 3pm to 10pm; Monday 9am to 5pm

Parking also available at Greenbelt Armory but no shuttle pickup. Armory parkers will walk 0.4 mile to the Festival.

At the Festival, the shuttles will depart from in front of the city offices and from Roosevelt Center. During the parade, the shuttles will depart from the Festival grounds and return parade participants to Buddy Attick Park.